

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**Present Application:**

Applicants : Christen M. Anderson, et al.  
Title : PRODUCTION OF ADENINE NUCLEOTIDE TRANSLOCATOR  
(ANT), NOVEL ANT LIGANDS AND SCREENING ASSAYS  
THEREFOR  
Docket No. : 660088.420D4  
Date : March 14, 2001

**Prior Application:**

Examiner : Holly Schnizer, Ph.D.  
Art Unit : 1653  
Application No. : 09/393,441

Box Patent Application  
Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**In the Specification:**

Amend the specification by deleting the section before the "Technical Field" and inserting a new section as follows:

**-- CROSS-REFERENCES TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**

This application is a divisional of pending U.S. Patent Application No. 09/393,441, filed September 8, 1999, which application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/185,904, filed November 3, 1998, and which applications are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety. --

In the Claims:

Please withdraw from consideration claims 5-7, 27-28 and 42-112 without prejudice to the filing of any divisional, continuation, or continuation-in-part application.

REMARKS

Claims 1-112 are pending in this application. In the present Amendment, applicants respectfully request that claims 5-7, 27-28 and 42-112 be withdrawn without prejudice, such that claims 1-4, 8-26 and 29-41 are currently pending. The present application is a divisional of U.S. Serial No. 09/393,441, filed September 8, 1999 ("the parent application"), which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 09/185,904, filed November 3, 1998.

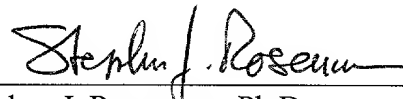
Attached hereto is a marked version of the changes made to the specification by the present amendment. The attached page is captioned **"Version with markings to show changes made."**

Consideration of the present claims is now requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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**In the specification:**

The paragraph beginning at page 1, line 3 has been amended as follows:

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